

Lake Park Villager

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CLERK'S CORNER

Upcoming Lake Park town meetings:

February 14 – 7:30 Village Council Meeting

February 15 - 7:00 Parks and Rec. Meeting

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LAKE PARK HOA MEETING

FEBRUARY 9, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK PLUS (INVESTMENT EDUCATION CLUB)

FEBRUARY 9, 7:00 PM, 5409 CREFT CIRCLE

LAKE PARK SAGES COVERED DISH DINNER

(RSVP TO RAY WIELOSZYNSKI OR AUDREY SIENKO BY 2/8.) FEB 10, 6:00 PM, FAITH CHURCH FELLOWSHIP BLDG

LAKE PARK COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

FEBRUARY 18, 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK GARDEN CLUB

FEBRUARY 20, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK TOWNHOME ASSN - LANDSCAPE BID MEETING

FEBRUARY 20, 6:30 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

COMMUNITY WATCH MEETING

FEBRUARY 23, 6:30 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

CPR CLASS

MARCH 11, 9:00 AM, COMMUNITY CENTER

Lake Park Community Blood Drive

Lake Park's Park and Recreation is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood drive on Saturday, Feb 18th from 9:00am - 1:30pm at the Lake Park Community Center.

Remember, we all need to pull together to help this worthy cause. Please contact Kendall Spence if you are able to donate. 704-882-6649

kendall.spence@lakeparknc.com .

January Council Meeting

Highlights from the January 10 meeting

On January 10, the Village Council convened for its regular monthly meeting. After a period of public comment, the council discussed the following items:

- Cheryl Bennett, the village financial officer reported that spending through the month of December was in order. Overall for the fiscal year revenues are at \$476,670 and expenditures at \$343,199. Also, under Ms. Bennett's guidance, the village has been able to comply with all of the new NC regulations for municipal financials.
- Cheri Clark, the village tax collector conveyed that the ad valorem tax collection rate is at 88% through the end of December. She has also been able to collect on many delinquent tax bills, dramatically reducing the village's past due ledger.
- Sandra Coughlin reported that waste collection continued to be a success story in terms of service to the village. Even through the additional volume associated with the holidays, the council heard of no complaints regarding Action's thorough and timely collections.
- The Parks and Recreation commission is waiting on parts to fix one of the faces of the clock tower. They also presented a drawing of the sign that will be placed at four of the entrances to tell the public of the rules within the public parks – including the fact that fishing will be by permit only. These signs will be installed around April 1.
- In street business, Mayor Ross indicated that

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For your information...

CPR Class

You can make a difference!

Captain Chris Yates of the Hemby Bridge Fire Department will be conducting a refresher course and demonstration of the latest CPR techniques. It will be held at 9:00 AM, Saturday, March 11, 2006 at the Lake Park Community Center. Everyone is welcome to attend. NOTE: this is not a class for certification.

Street Lighting

Here's why you may notice orange or yellow tape tied around a lamp post in Lake Park. Council attaches the tape to identify a lamp that is out or flickering at night....or if it is on all day. Then they call in the repair to Union Power. Please do not remove the tape; it helps Union Power's crew to locate the reported problems more quickly. The crew removes the tape when they complete the repair. Call any street lamp repair problems to 704 882-9692.

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under advisement of the village attorney, drainage easements on private property must be maintained by the homeowner.

Parks and Rec. Opening

Position open for this village commission

The VOLP Parks & Recreation Commission has a vacant seat. If you are interested in being a member of this 5-member commission, please send your letter of interest to the address below before February 14. Also, you may drop your letter by the Community Center between the hours of 9AM and 12 PM, Monday thru Friday. If you are interested, please be in attendance at the meeting on February 15 at 7pm at the Community Center.

Parks & Rec. Commission Attn: Fleta Thomas P O Box 219 Lake Park, NC 28079

Security Report

For December 2005

The Sheriff's department responded to a total of 91 calls in Lake Park for the month of December. This total is down a bit from the total of 104 in November. Among the calls were 2 for vehicle larceny. In both cases the car doors were unlocked. In addition, there were 2 calls for breaking and entering. The sheriff's department also arrested 2 juveniles in connection with property damage.

Deputy Steppe would like to remind Lake Park residents to keep car doors locked and garage doors closed. This action would prevent future incidents similar to the larcenies reported above.

The Sheriff's department still has gun locks available. These locks are free of charge and can be obtained by contacting the Union County Sheriff's department at 704-283-3789

Community Watch Meeting

Deputy John Steppe will be hosting a meeting to discuss community watch and village involvement in promoting a safe and crime-free environment. The meeting will be held at the Community Center on Thursday, February 23 at 6:30.